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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No.: 09/804,817 Confirmation No.: 2042  
Applicant: Richard D. Harris et al.  
Filed: March 13, 2001  
TC/Art Unit: 2817  
Examiner: Glenn, Kimberly E.  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of January 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.